



## 9 RW Commander Declaration of HPCON Bravo

**\*\*Effective as of 0700, Friday, November 5, 2021\*\***

The 9 RW Commander has directed a change in Health Protection Condition (HPCON) from “Bravo Plus” to “Bravo” in response to a decrease in cases of COVID-19, both on the installation and in the local community, associated with increased vaccination rates. Bravo measures include HPCON Alpha as well as the following actions:

**Individuals will not physically report to work if they are feeling sick. Members will immediately notify their supervisor and call the Beale Appointment Line: 530-634-2941.**

**PT Testing.** PT testing remains unaffected. Members being evaluated will not wear a mask while testing, however the observer will wear a mask.

**Social Distancing.** Maintain a minimum of 6 feet between personnel whenever possible. Limit meetings, socials, and mass gatherings. Gatherings will be executed within the below guidelines:

- Increased capacity for in-person meetings/gatherings to 50% of room capacity, up to 50 personnel. In general, mission essential exceptions to policy will be granted sparingly on a case by case basis.
- Maximize use of virtual meetings, VTCs, or hybrid options to minimize personnel exposure.
- Outdoor team/intramural sports are authorized (but not indoor).
- Specific exceptions to gathering restrictions are outlined in “Beale AFB Guidance for Travel, Events/Gatherings, and Mask Wear”, dated 4 Nov 21 found on the Beale AFB COVID-19 Updates website linked below.

**Telework.** Unit commanders should utilize their tailored telework plans. However, telework is encouraged for high risk personnel to ensure unit mission is not degraded.

**Leave/Movement Policy/Base Access.** Leave is approved at the unit level. The local leave area radius is increased to 8 hours (vice 6 hours in the 9 RW Operating Instructions, linked below). TDYs, leave, official visitors, and base access is in accordance with AFI and 9 RW policy, reference the “Beale AFB Guidance for Travel, Events/Gatherings and Mask Wear” which is available on the Beale COVID-19 website linked below. Members should consider risk mitigations when on and off installation, as well as, leave and TDY locations.

**Mask Use.** Mask use is required indoors, regardless of vaccination status, at Beale AFB or while conducting business on behalf of the Air Force. Masks are not required for fully vaccinated individuals outdoors. Non-fully vaccinated members are still required to wear a mask in outdoor spaces, when within 6 feet of others.

HPCON Bravo measures are mandatory for Beale AFB service members, DoD civilian and contractor employees, and family members. These measures are required to ensure the health and safety for Recce Town service members, civilians, and families. It is the commander’s expectation that members stay as disciplined off-base as they are on-base. Additionally, members should adhere to movement, gatherings, and facility use restrictions placed by the State of California while off-base.

Remain informed of COVID-19 symptoms and immediately contact the 9th Medical Group at (530) 634-2941 [DSN 368] if you develop those symptoms, or have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19.

**-Beale COVID-19 Updates Website:** <https://www.beale.af.mil/Home/COVID-19-UPDATES/>

**-COVID-19:** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

**-California COVID-19 Safety Measures:** <https://covid19.ca.gov/safely-reopening/>

**-DoS Travel Advisories:**

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html/>

**-9 RW OI:**

[https://usaf.dps.mil/sites/Beale/9rw/9%20RW%20Wing%20Stand%20Up/Shared%20Documents/9%20RW%20Operating%20Instructions\\_CAO%20May%2021.pdf](https://usaf.dps.mil/sites/Beale/9rw/9%20RW%20Wing%20Stand%20Up/Shared%20Documents/9%20RW%20Operating%20Instructions_CAO%20May%2021.pdf)